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Honorable Emory N. Hosmer  
Circuit Court for Arlington County, Va.  
The Court House  
Arlington, Virginia

Dear Judge Hosmer:

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[REDACTED] an employee of the Central Intelligence Agency, has been summoned to appear for jury duty in the Circuit Court for Arlington County on 22 October 1957.

It has always been the policy of this Agency to discourage employees from seeking excuse from their civic obligation to serve as jurors when called upon. The reasons advanced by employees seeking official action are given the most careful review, and official requests for excuse or postponement are only made under the most compelling circumstances.

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Sometimes, as in [REDACTED] case, the employee is most willing to serve but his superiors report that some pressing circumstance requires his presence. Here again, we will only make an official request to the court for relief from jury duty when it seems clear that the individual's contribution to the national security outweighs his responsibility to his community to serve as a juror.

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[REDACTED] absence from his work during the next two or three months would be detrimental to a project of great importance. Therefore, we respectfully request that he be excused from jury duty for that period.

Sincerely,

Signed

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Deputy Director

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